2008 Honor Awards Winners

OUTSTANDING SUPERVISOR/MANAGER

Eric Wolff

CS Chengdu, China

Trade Promotion & U.S. and Foreign Commercial Service

Mr. Wolff is honored for his leadership and dedication while organizing the U.S. diplomatic community and business rescue efforts following the Sichuan earthquake in China. During this traumatic period, Eric provided comfort, compassion and reassurance to his CS Chengdu staff.

OUTSTANDING PROGRAM PROFESSIONAL

James F. Sullivan

CS Nairobi, Kenya

Trade Promotion & U.S. and Foreign Commercial Service

Mr. Sullivan is honored for his strategic vision, leadership, and successful mobilization of inter-Agency resources in Ecuador to combat corruption and enhancing our nation's reputation as a determined advocate for transparency and justice.

OUTSTANDING ADMINISTRATIVE PROFESSIONAL

Jeffrey Scherr

Office of Organization & Management Support CFO/Administration

Mr. Scherr is recognized for his exemplary effort to move ITA from a paper-based property management process to a robust, state-of-the-art automated property management system. As a direct result of his extraordinary leadership, project management acumen and technical training skills, ITA successfully implemented the Sunflower property management system.

OUTSTANDING SUPPORT PROFESSIONAL

Patricia Johnson

Office of Technology & Electronic Commerce Manufacturing and Services

Ms. Johnson is recognized for her outstanding and exemplary service to the Office of Technology & Electronic Commerce and Manufacturing staff, by continually demonstrating initiative, leadership, willingness to serve, efficiency and competence.

OUTSTANDING LOCALLY ENGAGED STAFF PROGRAM PROFESSIONAL

Marta Haustein

CS Vienna. Austria

Trade Promotion & U.S. and Foreign Commercial Service

Mrs. Haustein is recognized for her resourcefulness, tenacity, and sound negotiating skills to realize a significant Commercial Diplomacy Success for the U.S. automotive aftermarket industry in Europe.

OUTSTANDING LOCALLY ENGAGED STAFF ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPPORT PROFESSIONAL

Cassandra Sheng

CS Hong Kong

Trade Promotion & U.S. and Foreign Commercial Service

Ms. Sheng is recognized for her dedication, keen sense of responsibility and professional excellence in identifying and ultimately resolving a major ICASS billing problem, saving tens of thousands of dollars for the U.S. Commercial Service and ITA.

OUTSTANDING GROUP

Common Data Platform

Manufacturing and Services
Import Administration
Market Access and Compliance
Trade Promotion & U.S. and Foreign Commercial Service
Office of the Under Secretary
CFO/Administration
Office of the Chief Information Officer

This award recognizes the efforts of the ITA Common Data Platform Team in developing and implementing a new online resource that increases analysts' access to an array of preferred data resources, reduces expenditures for duplicate subscriptions, and promotes best practices for uniform data analysis.

BRONZE MEDAL AWARDS FOR DISTINGUISHED PERFORMANCE

ADMIN Commerce Business Accounting System Team

Chief Financial Officer/Administration
National Institute of Standards and Technology

For successfully implementing the conversion of ITA to the Commerce Business System.

People's Republic of China Team

Import Administration

For demonstrating personal and professional excellence in the unprecedented application of the countervailing duty law to China.

MEMORIAL AWARDS

Naomi Warbasse Memorial Award **Damian Felton**

Stephen Kaminski Memorial Award Danica Rachele Starks

Lawrence Payne Memorial Award **Brenda J. Fisher**

Charles Meissner Memorial Award
Office of Energy & Environmental Industries

Timothy J. Hauser Memorial Award Common Data Platform Team